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-- One advantage of the present disclosure is that transistors are relatively inexpensive electronic components and can be purchased singly. Another advantage is that a transistor provides a low resistance from the primary audio cable to ground, ensuring that the cable is thoroughly grounded and significantly reducing the interference coupled onto the primary audio I/O connector and its associated electrical components and cabling. --

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-- BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS



The present disclosure may be better understood, and its numerous objects, features, and advantages made apparent to those skilled in the art, by referencing the accompanying drawings.

Figure 1 is a block diagram of a typical computer system with which the present disclosure may be used.

Figure 2 is a functional block diagram of an exemplary computer audio circuit including an embodiment of the present disclosure.

Figure 3 is a circuit diagram of an exemplary computer audio circuit including an embodiment of the present disclosure. --

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-- DESCRIPTION

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The following sets forth a detailed description of a mode for carrying out illustrative embodiments of the disclosure and should not be taken to be limiting. --

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-- In the present disclosure, a transistor may be conceptualized as having a control terminal that controls the flow of current between a first current handling terminal and a second current handling terminal. An appropriate condition on the control terminal causes a current to flow from/to the first current handling terminal and to/from the second current handling terminal. In a bipolar NPN transistor, the first current handling terminal is the collector, the control terminal is the base, and the second current handling terminal is the emitter. A sufficient current into the base causes a collector-to-emitter current to flow. In a bipolar PNP transistor, the first current handling terminal is the emitter, the control terminal is the base, and the second current handling terminal is the collector. A current exiting the base causes an emitter-to-collector current to flow. --

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-- Referring to Figure 3, a circuit diagram of a circuit 300, an exemplary computer audio circuit with two inputs, is shown. Circuit 300 comprises disabling device 210 and circuit element 227, which, taken together, represent a second embodiment of the present disclosure. Disabling device 210 comprises circuit element 212 and FET 211 where the drain is coupled to primary audio input coupling 250, the source is coupled to ground, and the gate is coupled to primary audio input